But all my devices to get it into the water failed me. It lay about one hundred yards from the water, and not more; but the first Inconvenience was, it was uphill towards the shore. Well, to get over this, I resolved to dig into the earth and so make a slope down-wards. This I began, and it cost me a great

deal of pains; but when it was done I was no better off, for I could no more stir the canoe than I could before.

Then I measured the distance of ground, and resolved to cut a dock or canal, to bring the water up to the canoe, seeing I could not bring the canoe down to the water. Well, I began this work, and when I began to enter into it and calculate how deep it was to be